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Hill Club to Sponsor Marsh Debate Tourney

Hamilton's Debate Club will sponsor the second annual Willard B. Marsh Varsity Debate Tournament this Friday and Saturday, Apr. 14 and 15, David Lieberman, director of the tournament, announced Tuesday.

The tournament is named for the late Mr. Willard B. Marsh, who was chairman of Hamilton's department of public speaking and sponsor of the College's chapter of Delta Sigma Rho, the honorary forensic society.

The University of Vermont won last year's tournament and was awarded a trophy it kept for one year. In addition to the trophy, the winner each year receives a plaque which it keeps permanently.

Lieberman noted that a two-man team from each school would debate the topic: *Resolved: that the United States should adopt a program of compulsory health insurance for all its citizens.* He added that the winning team would be anounced on Saturday at 4:30 p.m. in the Chapel.

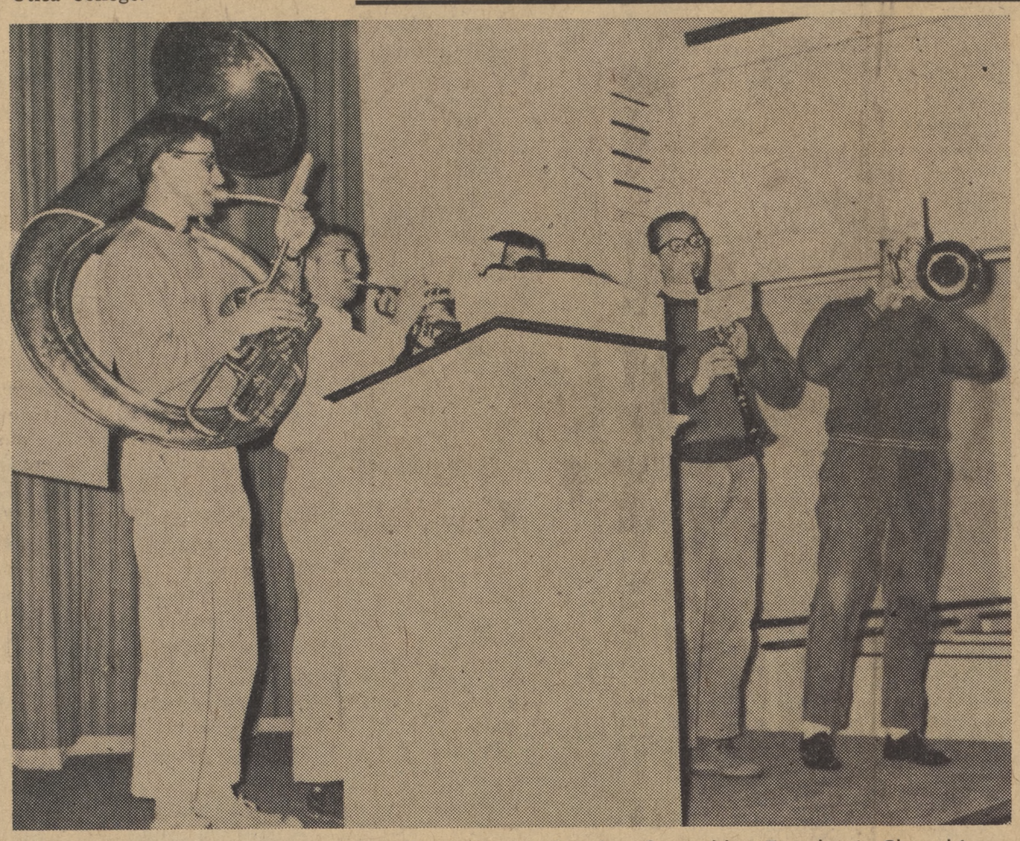
Participants from various colleges arrived on the Hill on Friday afternoon and registered in Root Hall. At 5 p.m. the teams met in the Chapel to draw team numbers for the first round of debating, which began at 5:30 p.m. The second round will begin at 8 p.m.

This evening at 9:30, the Debate Club will present the movie, *Blue Angel,* for the debaters and their coaches.

Tomorrow at 9:30 a.m., the debaters will again meet in the Chapel for team assignments. The three rounds scheduled for Saturday will begin at 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m., and 2:15 p.m.

Lieberman noted that the enrollment for the tourney has increased from 11 teams last year to between 20 and 25 this year.

In addition to Hamilton, the following schools will participate in the tournament; Brooklyn College, University of Buffalo, Colgate, Cortland, Hobart, Holy Cross, Houghton College, Iona College, Ithaca College, Middlebury, New York University, University of Pennsylvania, Rochester Institute of Technology, University of Rochester, Rutgers, St. Lawrence, St. Bonaventure, State University College of Forestry at Syracuse, Union, and Utica College.



CONCERT BAND — A portion of Hamilton's Concert Band performed last Tuesday in Chapel in a sneak preview of its first annual concert. The entire band will assemble in Commons on Tuesday at 9:30 p.m. to presents its formal program.

Utica Art Institute Shows Paintings, Ancient Sculpture

The Munson - Williams - Proctor Institute is now displaying paintings by Philip Evergood and examples of ancient and primitive art.

Evergood's paintings in the exhibit were done between 1919 and 1959. 45 institutions and private collectors have lent the pictures in the exhibition. Evergood was deeply concerned with social justice and used it as a theme in many of his works.

The exhibition will remain on display in the balcony galleries of the museum until Apr. 20.

A second exhibition entitled *Art from Ancient and Primitive Civilizations* will remain on display until May 15. The exhibition includes 81 artifacts and pieces of sculpture in wood, stone, metal, and terra cotta.

Collected from the ancient and primitive civilizations of the world, the objects on display date from 3000 B.C. to about 1900.

The exhibition has been borrowed from the Jay C. Leff Collection and is being circulated by the American Federation of Arts.

Three Candidates Seek Presidency Of Senior Class

Three juniors have submitted to the Elections Committee petitions for president of next year's senior class, announced Sandy Ratzan, chairman, on Wednesday. They are Tim Melchior, Bob Miller, and Bob Riordan.

Melchior, a member of Alpha Delt, was secretary-treasurer of the sophomore class and a member of DT. He has also played varsity soccer.

Miller, a Chi Psi, has played varsity baseball and soccer and was a member of the freshman basketball team.

Riordan, a member of DU, played varsity football before going into the Marine Corps for four years.

ELS Elects

Emerson Literary Society has elected Ron Stone as president and Aaron Tessler as vice-president.

Other elected officers include Al Korostoff, secretary; Steve Judy, treasurer; Bill Wilt, alumni secretary; Pete Vanderputten, house manager; and Larry Carnay, Senate representative.

Dean Announces Selection of Advisors To Serve in Dunham Dorm Next Year

Six juniors and six sophomores have been appointed advisors in Dunham Dormitory for next year, Associate Dean Sidney Wertimer announced today.

Four of the juniors have been advisors this year. They are Jerry Hamilton, Phil Hineline, Frank McCullough, and John Nichols. The other two juniors are Pat McDonnell and Bill Nelson.

The sophomores are Pete Badger, Carl Hayden, Al Howard, Wes Oler, John Sanders and Aaron Tessler.

Hamilton, a member of Alpha Delta Phi, will be captain of next year's soccer team. He has also been a member of the track and swimming teams.

Hineline, a member of T.K.E., is a member of the honor court and of Was Los, the junior honorary society. Also in DT, the sophomore honorary society, he is a member of the track and cross country teams.

McCullough, an advisor in Dunham this year, is the corresponding secretary of Delta Kappa Epsilon.

Nichols, a Theta Delt, is a member of the Student Senate and the honor court. A member of Was Los, he is on the varsity track, cross country, and hockey teams.

McDonnell, who was a member of DT, is in Psi U. He will be co-captain of next year's hockey team and is a member of the baseball team.

Nelson, a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon, is editor-in-chief of the *Spectator.* He is also a member of the Student Senate and the Rushing Committee.

Badger, a Chi Psi, has been on the track and football teams. He is also a member of DT.

Hayden, a member of Sigma Phi, is on the varsity soccer, basketball, and golf teams. A member of DT, he is also assistant senior editor of the *Hamiltonian.*

Howard, who was recently tapped for Was Los, is a member of the honor court and the Student Senate. He is a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon.

Oler, a Gryphon, is secretary-treasurer of the sophomore class and president of next year's junior class.

Sanders, a member of Alpha Delta Phi, is vice president of the sophomore class and a member of the swimming team.

Tessler is a member of the glee club and the Student Curriculum Committee. He is also vice president of ELS.

Wertimer noted that 40 sophomores and 20 juniors applied for positions as advisors.

The committee which selected the advisors was composed of Wertimer, Dean Tolles, Dick Blessing, Dave Eckerman, Doug Kirkpatrick, Bill Mattern, and Jack Moore.

Outing Club Plans Square Dancing, Three Expeditions

Hamilton's Outing Club set tentative dates for three spring trips and discussed plans for a square dance during spring houseparty weekend at its reorganizational meeting on Mar. 21.

The club has arranged a spelunking expedition on Sunday, Apr. 16, to several local caves. One week later, on Apr. 23, it will travel to the Shawangunk Mountains, in southeastern New York, for a rock-climbing expedition.

On May 13 and 14, the group will make a two-day rock-climbing trip to the northern Adirondacks.

The Outing Club also plans to sponsor an all-campus square-dance on Friday night, May 5 The houseparty dance will be held in the Hall of Commons.

The club will hold its next meeting on Tuesday night at 9 in the geology lecture room.

The Hamilton College Outing Club is a member of the Inter-Collegiate Outing Clubs Association. This organization enables outing clubs from various colleges to coordinate their activities and to plan joint trips.

Faculty To Deny House Initiation To Probationers

The faculty at its meeting on Monday adopted a new rule providing that students on academic probation may not be initiated into fraternities.

Associate Dean Sidney Wertimer noted, however, that, although students on probation may not be initiated, they may eat and live at fraternities.

Such students, he said, will not be able to pay initiation fees, become house officers, or attend house meetings until such time as they are off probation. Otherwise, they will be able to fully use a house's facilities.

Wertimer said that the new rule, which was proposed by the Faculty Committee on student Activities, had been discussed and approved by the Student Curriculum Committee and by the Alumni Interfraternity Council before it was presented to the faculty.

The purpose of the rule, according to Wertimer, is to encourage freshmen to achieve at a better academic level.

He explained that freshmen in academic trouble should be able to obtain help from their houses, especially since houses will be anxious to have them initiated.

Wertimer pointed out that the new rule, in addition to getting freshmen to study harder, will encourage houses to assume initiative in aiding them.

Dean, Professor Attend Conference On Gifted Students

Dean Winton Tolles and Prof. Herbert S. Long, during the last week in March, attended a conference sponsored by the College Committee on Outstanding Students.

The purpose of the conference, which was sponsored by the Carnegie Corporation, was to enable educators from small liberal arts colleges to discuss ways and means of providing the best education for college students with outstanding intellectual abilities.

Fifty colleges, most of which have enrollments under 2,000, attended the conference. None of the participating schools are affiliated with larger universities.

According to Tolles, the committee reached no definite conclusions, although it discussed at length whether or not to take further steps and what these steps should be, toward providing special courses for qualified students.

Latin Americans To Attend Conference Here Next Week

—*by* RICK PFAU

Ten Latin American government officials, educators, and students will attend a conference entitled *Focus on Latin America* at Hamilton on Thursday and Friday, Apr. 20 and 21.

The Bristol-Myers Corporation provided a grant to sponsor the conference in memory of Henry P Bristol, '10.

Mr. Karl Gregg, instructor in Spanish, arranged the conference. The purpose of the meeting, according to Gregg, is "to give the students and faculty of Hamilton, as well as interested citizens, a chance to learn something about modern Latin America from its people."

The ten visitors are now studying in the United States. Mr. Rudolfo Barragan, from Mexico, is studying architecture at Yale University. Mr. Andres Bianchi, who was an assistant instructor in economics at the University of Chile, is now studying at Yale under a grant from the Department of State. A Bolivian, Walter Guevara, is an undergraduate at St. Lawrence University.

Mr. Goethe Mayorga is the director of the Department of Design and Installation of Accounting Systems for the Office of the Comptroller-General of the Republic of Panama. He is now studying business administration at Syracuse University.

Dr. Emmanuel Mompoint, from Haiti, is a professor of international law at the University of Haiti. He is currently participating in a training program for foreign leaders, which is sponsored by the Office of Cultural Exchange of the State Department.

Mr. Jose Serebrier, from Uruguay, is a conductor of the Utica Symphony Orchestra and a teacher at Utica College. Mr. Juan Villa-Laroudet, a native of Argentina, is studying industrial engineering at Cornell University.

The only woman in the group is Miss Erika Wagner, from Venezuela. She is an assistant professor of archeology at the Central University of Venezuela and is now studying anthropology at Yale.

Gregg announced that three panel discussions, which will be open to the public, will be held during the conference.

The first discussion, which will begin at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday in the center lounge of Dunham Dormitory, will be entitled *Latin America Looks at the United States.*

On Thursday night at 8 in the Root Art Center, a panel will discuss *Latin America: the Present Situation.*

The last of the three discussions, *The Future for Latin America,* will be held in the Root Art Center on Friday at 3:30 p.m. A reception at the Art Center will follow each discussion.

Three professors will moderate the discussions. Profs. Charles C. Adler of the department of history, Channing B. Richardson of the department of government, and Charles L. Todd of the department of public speaking, will attend the panel discussions.

Six students will participate on the panels. They are: Al Howard, Ken Kahn, Joe Kent, George Keyes, Lorin Weisenfield, and Doug Wheeler.

Several of the participating visitors will also speak on topics of specific interest to them. Gregg said that he would distribute early next week an official program listing the times and places for the talks.

During the conference, the Root Art Center will display a collection of paintings from Lat in America. The Munson-Williams-Proctor Institute made arrangements for the exhibition.

Editors Announce New Appointments To Publications

The editors-in-chief of the *Continental* and the *Hamiltonian,* and the business manager of the Publications Board announced on Tuesday the appointments of subordinate members to their respective staffs.

Mike Kaiser, editor-in-chief of the *Continental,* has appointed Sean Fitzpatrick, Dan Dietrich, Ham Hauck, and Henry Allen to the editorial board of the literary magazine. He also appointed Geoff Brown as circulation manager.

Pete Crumb, editor-in-chief of the *Hamiltonian,* has appointed seven men to the editorial staff of the yearbook. The editors are Bob Davis, sports; Dick Weir, faculty; John Carusone, social; Mike Badenhausen, activities; Carl Hayden, seniors; Bill MacLachlan, photography; and Pete Weltner, lay-out.

Skip Granville, business manager of the Publications Board, has named John Larkin as local advertising manager and Ham Hauck as national advertising manager. Hauck will also arrange advertising subscriptions for the *Spectator.*

Foundation Gives Full Scholarship To Hill Student

The Danforth Foundation has awarded a scholarship grant for graduate study to Paul Wagner. The grant provides full tuition payment and up to 1500 dollars for additional expenses, depending on the need of the recipient.

Wagner will be an honorary Danforth scholar next year, since he will first accept his Woodrow Wilson scholarship. He plans to attend Harvard University to continue his studies in Far Eastern history.

TKE Elects

Tau Kappa Epsilon has elected Julian Weissglass as president and Bill Nelson as vice president for the coming academic year.

Other officers elected include Drew Days, secretary; Doug Sheldon, treasurer; Jon Chisholm, steward; John Renfrew, sergeant-at-arms; Al Rodewald, chaplain; Pete Schofer, pledge trainer; Bob Caton, house manager; and Larry Giventer, historian. Bill Nelson was also elected Senate representative.

BOOK OF THE MONTH —

Writer Discusses Russia

—*by* PROF. CHARLES C. ADLER

The credentials of Isaac Deutscher as a Sovietologist are to be found in his work. His biography of Stalin is likely to remain for a long time the definitive study, and his life of Trotsky, now two-thirds completed, will not be surpassed either as a work of scholarship or as vivid portraiture.

Born in Poland, Mr. Deutscher was a member of the Communist Party in his youth but was expelled in 1932 as punishment for a fractious attitude towards the policies and discipline of the Third International. Since then he has cultivated a scholarly spirit in the study of Russian affairs. He is one of the most gifted specialists in the field.

His latest work, here under review, is made up of four lectures given in the autumn of 1959 at the invitation of the Dafoe Foundation and the Canadian Institute of International Affairs. In these pages Deutscher discusses the nature of de-Stalinization under Khrushchev, the "moral and intellectual climate" since 1953, Soviet foreign policy and finally the "implications" for the Soviet Union and the West of what has come to be called peaceful coexistence.

States View

Deutscher's view of the Russian past and future is contained in the following statement: "The Stalinist autocracy, discipline, and orthodoxy had been rooted in the soil and in the primitive traditions of pre-industrial Russia or had been grafted on to them. Stalin exploited and over-exploited those traditions in order to discipline the nation throughout the period of forced industrialization and collectivization. But, after the great industrial advance had been achieved, that discipline lost its relative justification and effectiveness; and the traditions which had sustained it for so long were losing their grip."

Stalinist tyranny was possible only in pre-industrial Russia. But that same regime produced an urbanized people, better educated for the most part, whom it is no longer possible or necessary to tyrannize. Any effort to govern in the old manner could result only in "national inefficiency" and could operate only as a brake on the "progress" which all Russians have sought and for which they have worked. Efficiency demands from the Khrushchev interregnum a program of reform, of political and social liberalization, ultimately of freedom itself.

Genetic Relationship

For Deutscher the changes in Russian policy in the foreign and domestic fields and in the behavior of the regime are to be traced to the new stage of success which the Soviet Union has reached after forty years of struggle. He does not doubt that the changes and the success have produced a beneficence which will grow henceforth as the success itself grows. Industrialization has created a new bond between the rulers and the ruled in which liberalization insures a further moderation of the dictatorship and a willing cooperation of official and popular Russia for future projects of construction.

There is for Deutscher a sort of genetic relationship between social and economic progress on the one hand and political-intellectual freedom on the other. Indeed he associates them when he declares that now "intellectual freedom is a pre-requisite of national efficiency."

He is no less sanguine when he considers the direction of Soviet foreign policy. It is shaped, he finds, by the twin imperatives of "popular pacifism" and of public pressure for more consumer goods. Khruschev seems to have elaborated a constructive foreign policy aimed not at foreign adventures or at traditional aggression but at the creation of a "socialist commonwealth." This program is reflected in his theses concerning different roads to communism for national states with-

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The Women's Glee Club of the University of Rochester prepares to sing selections from Brahm's waltzes during the concert performed here last Friday night. Earlier in the program, the Glee Club and Hamilton's Choir presented Mozart's 'Coronation Mass.'

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Spring Exam Schedule

May 22 - May 31, 1961

Morning Examinations 9:00 to 12:00
Afternoon Examinations 2:00 to 5:00
English Composition 14 1:30 to 5:30

Monday a.m., May 22

Ancient Civilization 22	Truax 1
Biology 32	Science 211
Chemistry 34	Chemistry 15
Geology 12	Science 109
German 30	Benedict 1
History 22	Truax 6
Philos. & Religion 26	Chemistry 10 and Root 35
Physics 36	Science 312

Monday p.m., May 22

Economics 22	Truax 1
Greek 32	Benedict 2
Philos. & Religion 32	Root 20
Physics 12	Science 109, 211
Russian 12	Root 23

Tuesday a.m., May 23

English Literature 22	(a) Root 23
	(b, q) Truax 1 and 3
	(c, d) Science 109
	(f) Root 20
	(g, h) Truax 1 & 3
English Literature 34	Root 26
Philos. & Religion 38	Root 24

Tuesday p.m., May 23

Anthropology 22	Science 109
Economics 32	Root 26
English Literature 36	Root 23
Greek 22	Benedict 2
History 12	Truax 1, 3, 4, 6
Philos. & Religion 36	Root 20
Physics 32	Science 312
Psychology 35	Science 211

Wednesday a.m., May 24

Anthropology 12	Science 109
Biology 12	Chemistry 10 and Truax 1 & 3
Biology 22	Science 211
Education 32	Root 26
English Literature 32	Root 23
Government 44	Root 20
Mathematics 32	Root 24
Music 22	Benedict 3

Wednesday p.m., May 24

Economics 42	Truax 1
French 38	Benedict 3
History 34	Truax 6
Philos. & Religion 34	Root 23
Psychology 22	Science 109, 211
Psychology 32	Science 312

Thursday a.m., May 25

Chemistry 12	Science 109 Chemistry 10
English Literature 44	Root 23
Geology 24	Science 312
History 24	Truax 6
Mathematics 40	Root 24
Philos. & Religion 22	Truax 1, 3
Psychology 34	Science 211

Thursday, p.m. May 25

Art 36	Root 35
Geology 26	Science 109
Government 24	Root 23
History 40	Truax 4
Latin 22	Benedict 1
Philos. & Religion 40	Root 24

Friday a.m., May 26

Ancient Civilization 12	Truax 1
Chemistry 38	Chemistry 15
Economics 26	Truax 3
French 24	Benedict 3
Government 32	Root 23
Mathematics 12	Root 24
Spanish 12	Benedict 1

Friday p.m., May 26

Anthropology 24	Science 9
Biology 34	Science 211
Economics 12	Chemistry 10, 15 and Science 109
English Literature 38	Root 23
Government 34	Root 20
History 26	Truax 6
Physics 32	Science 312

Saturday a.m., May 27

Biology 38	Science 211
Economics 34	Truax 4
German 34	Benedict 6
Government 38	Root 23
History 42	Truax 6
Latin 32	Benedict 1
Mathematics 36	Root 24
Philos. & Religion 42	Root 34
Spanish 30	Benedict 5

Saturday p.m., May 27

Chemistry 32	Chemistry 10
Economics 38	Truax 1
Education 22	Science 109
French 36	Benedict 5
Geology 22	Science 104
Spanish 36	Benedict 2
English Comp 12	(a) Truax 3
	(b & d) Science 211
	(c & r) Root 20, 23
	(f-1) Benedict 6
	(f-2 & h) Truax 6
	(g) Root 26
	(q) Truax 1
English Comp 14	(b-f) Root 34
	(d-h) Root 24

Monday a.m., May 29

French 12	Science 109
French 13	Science 211
French 14	Truax 4, 6
French 15	Chemistry 10, 15
French 22	Truax 1, 3
German 12	Benedict 1, 3
German 14	Root 20, 23
German 22	Root 24, 26
Spanish 14	Root 35
Spanish 22	Benedict 5, 6

Monday p.m., May 29

Ancient Civilization 34	Benedict 1
Art 24	Chemistry 10, 15
Education 34	Root 24
Greek 12	Benedict 3
History 38	Truax 6

Tuesday a.m., May 30

French 33	Benedict 1
Mathematics 16	Truax 1, 3, 4, 6
Mathematics 26	Root 24, 26
Philos. & Religion 44	Root 23

Tuesday p.m., May 30

Anthropology 32	Science 9
Art 32	Root 35
Chemistry 22	Chemistry 10
Government 12	Science 109, 211
History 36	Truax 6
Latin 12	Benedict 1

Wednesday a.m., May 31

Government 22	Truax 1, 3
Music 12	Benedict 1, 3

Wednesday p.m., May 31

Philos. & Religion 12	Science 109 & 211

Stage, Television Actress To Read Alumnus' Poetry at Root Art Center

On Monday, Apr. 17, at 8 p.m. in the Root Art Center, Miss Peggy Wood will read the poetry of her first husband, John van Alstyn Weaver, '14.

Miss Wood is a prominent actress and authoress. She first appeared on the stage in the chorus of *Naughty Marietta* in 1911 and has since appeared and starred in many plays, among them *Porche*, *Bittersweet*, and *Blyth Spirit*.

She is also the creator of the well-remembered television role of *Mama*, which began in 1949. In addition Miss Wood has written *The Flying Prince; Splendid Gypsy*, a biography of John Drew; and *How Young You Look*. She married Weaver in 1924.

Weaver, born in North Carolina in 1893, was graduated from Hamilton in 1914. He worked with the Chicago Daily News from 1916-1917 and from 1919-1920. He was Literary Editor of the *Brooklyn Daily Eagle* until his marriage and later wrote for the Paramount - Famous - Iasky Corporation.

His works include, *In America*, *More in America*, *To Youth*, *Turning Point*, and *Trial Balance* in verse; *Finders*, a collection of poetry; two novels, *Margie Wins the Game* and *Her Knight Comes Riding;* and a play, *Love 'Em and Leave 'Em*. He lived in Springfield, Massachusetts until his death in 1938.

A reception will follow the reading.

Root Art Center

Saturday, April 15 — 3:45 p.m. — Debate Club reception.
Monday, April 17 — 8 p.m. — Reading of the poetry of John V. A. Weaver, '14, by Peggy Wood.
Tuesday, April 18 — 3:30 p.m. — Colgate University Student Tour of the Root Art Center.
Thursday, April 20 — 5 p.m. — Meeting of Choir Executive Committee.
5:00 p.m.—"Focus on Latin America" Reception.
8:00 p.m. — Panel Discussion on Latin America.
Friday, April 21 — 4:15 p.m. — Panel Discussion on Latin America.
Collection of recorded literature available at all times.

Famous Speakers Visited Hamilton In Recent Years

—*by* Jay Van Schoick

"Socialism is the hope of the world," stated Norman Thomas, Socialist Party leader and Presbyterian minister, during a lecture which he delivered at Hamilton College on April 6, 1952. Thomas was well received by the student body and invited to return for another lecture in 1954.

On February 23, 1956, Dr. Clinton Rossiter, Cornell professor and writer, delivered an address entitled, *Conservatism in the American Way of Life*. Rossiter was quoted in the *Spectator* as having said, ". . . high minded conservatism is America's most urgent need for the years ahead." The same article noted, "He (Rossiter) enjoys answering questions and needling students." A *Spectator* poll at the end of the year showed that Rossiter's lecture had been one of the more popular lectures of the year.

Hamilton College has in recent years been visited by few well-known speakers in the field of politics and world affairs. The purpose of this article is to show that in past years such speakers have come to Hamilton.

Thomas Appeared

Thomas, for example, made a total of four appearances on the Hill, beginning in 1948 and ending in 1954.

Dr. Phillip Jessup, an alumnus of the College, spoke here on October 8, 1954 on *What the United Nations Means to the United States,* Jessup, who was present at the signing of the United Nations Charter, attended the Bretton Woods Conference and was a member of the Commission on Codification and Development of International Law.

"My job on earth is to deal and work in wretchedness." These were the words of Dr. Thomas Dooley as he spoke to "a large audience" in the fall of 1959. Medico, an organization headed by Dooley, had, at that time, medical missionaries in Jordan, Kenya, Laos, and Burma. Dooley told of his work in these countries and of his experiences with Dr. Albert Schweitzer in Africa.

Ugly American

He warned that a large minority in the foreign service is creating an image of the ugly American. Dooley was probably the last well-known speaker in the field of politics and world affairs to speak on the Hill.

In the spring of 1959, Miss Frances Perkins, the first woman to receive a post in the National cabinet, addressed the student body. Miss Perkins, who was Secretary of Labor from 1933 to 1945, is the author of the book *The Roosevelt I Knew*.

"East German youths are the most democratic people in Germany," Edgar Ansel Mowrer, noted foreign correspondent, told a *Spectator* reporter on November 12, 1951. Dr. Mowrer spent the day at Hamilton and addressed a student audience in the Chapel that evening.

Other Speakers

Other speakers heard at Hamilton in the past years include Chief Justice Earl Warren and Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr.

Professors Select Five Hill Students For Summer Job

The National Science Foundation will sponsor five Hamilton students in original research projects this summer, Dr. Leland E. Cratty, assistant professor of chemistry, announced Tuesday.

Lanie Eagleton, Peter Parry, and Julian Weissglass will conduct research in physical chemistry, whereas John Randall and Hackett Bushweller will prepare projects in organic chemistry. Demetrius Lalas will be an alternate in the program.

The participants will work with members of the department of chemistry and with Dr. James W. Ring, assistant professor of physics, during an eight-week period.

During the first week, the students will familiarize themselves with literature and apparatus pertaining to their projects. Each student will attend weekly seminars and will prepare progress reports on his work.

At the end of the period, each participant must submit a complete report on his research. Cratty noted that the reports may be published in some prominent scientific journal.

The Foundation will pay each student $60 per week, according to Cratty. He noted that the College has awarded a fellowship of $15 per week to each student to defray the cost of room and board.

JAZZ CONCERT — Pictured above is Dakota Staton, a singer of jazz and blues, who performed here last Saturday afternoon during Jazz Concert Weekend.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR —

Head of Athens College Praises Campus Fund

To the Campus Fund:

On behalf of Dr. Davis, who is now president-emeritus of Athens College, may I thank you for your letter of March 2 and the generous check which it brings to us. The meticulous way in which you and your fellow committee members have consumated the intentions of your predecessors is much appreciated.

Our associations with Hamilton have always been close. Dr. Davis, as you know, is an alumnus. Professor and Mrs. Nesbit have just concluded a week's visit here on our campus, and we were pleased to be able to show him the tile bearing the seal of Hamilton College, which occupies a prominent place in the foyer of our newest building.

We shall use your check for scholarship purposes. Half of our students, i.e. 537 of them, have grants in aid. Except for Athens College, scholarship plans are almost non-existent in Greece, and the fact that we are able, by competitive examination, to select and educate her ablest young men is of great significance in the development of the country and in its position as an outpost of the western world.

Your committee would, I think, be interested in an expedition three of our Student Council members and I took last fall to the northeastern corner of the country, that knob that pushes up between Bulgaria and Turkey, where the Iron Curtain is a constant threat.

Certainly the trip brought home to me very vividly the meaning of our scholarship program. The purpose of the journey was to see the children of a tiny village directly on the Bulgarian border and to investigate the feasibility of building a one-room school. The village has no school at all now.

We are trying to educate our boys to an understanding of the needs of others and in the spirit of generosity of which so many of them have been the beneficiaries, and our Student Council organizes each year a drive for funds among the students. The boys have now built seven one-room schools in remote parts of the country where no school existed, and have just raised funds for this new one. Even the most impoverished of our boys have given a few drachmas.

The very name of the village we visited, Galene, meaning *serenity*, is a symbol of the determination of the people. Though Bulgarian watchtowers, constantly armed, are visible from every part of the village, the people look gauntly optimistic, and it seems obvious that if some years can pass without enemy occupation, the fertile fields and the grazing lands of that area can contribute heavily to the prosperity of all of Greece.

At present, the only school available to the thirty children of the village is eight miles away, across a river four hundred feet wide, which is at flood violence from November to May. There is no bridge, and the children must cross by boat, a dangerous undertaking, in which one of them was drowned last year.

One High School

In this corner of northeastern Greece, there are forty-eight villages with seven thousand children in grades one through six. But there is only one high school. It takes care of five hundred students. This means that less than 10% of the children can get an education beyond the sixth grade.

All of this made very clear to me the importance of our regional scholarship plan. An educated young man of character from that part of Greece would be truly a bulwark against the forces of Communism, and your gift gives us the confidence to go ahead and announce a scholarship competition there for next year. Perhaps your committee or a subsequent one will feel that it, too, can contribute to the continued education of the boy who wins the award.

The help of the Hamilton Campus Fund after the war (1950, $925.59; 1951, $817.07; 1952, $904.93; 1953, $829.53; 1954, $816.27; 1955, $775.00) was an incalculable boon and we have never ceased to be grateful. Though Greece has in part recovered from the ravages of war, there is wide-spread poverty, and with the Iron Curtain on its borders, the need to educate the best minds in the ideologies of the West seems to me greater than ever.

Under separate cover I am sending the recent Bulletin in which Professor Nesbit expressed such interest, and we shall see that you get further literature about the work of the College.

Many thanks again.

Charles M. Rice
President

JUST NO STORIES

by John Nichols

EARL

One day Charley Elfinger's great aunt Prudence died, and the only thing that she bequeathed to him was an old gold watch, which said,

To Prue from Harry

on the back. Harry was Charley's great uncle.

Now, Charley didn't really like his great aunt Prudence very much so he went into town to Fauntleroy Duke's Musical Bar and said,

"Duke, just how many 'Skizzy Uptons' will you give me for this watch?"

And Duke said,

"I'm sorry, Charley, but I'm not in the pawnbroking business, so take your watch and yourself someplace else, too sweet."

And that was the end of the matter.

Charley went all over town trying to get rid of that watch but nobody wanted it. He was just about to give up when he passed a pet shop. There were five or six of these cute little puppies in the window, and off in a corner was this one other puppy which was the ugliest little puppy that Charley had ever seen.

Now, Charley wasn't very good looking himself. A lot of people called him "Fece Face," and "Dumbo," and "Monk," and "Gridiron," and names like that, so Charley just naturally felt a compatability with just about anything that had a face which looked like a burnt marshmallow. He went inside and said,

"Sir, I have a gold watch here which I will give you for that muck-faced mutt in the window."

And no sooner had he said this than there he was standing on the sidewalk minus aunt Prudence's watch, with this ugly little black puppy in his arms.

He brought the puppy back to the house, and we gave it a beer, some Cheerios, and a peanut butter sandwich, which it seemed to like all right, and then we sat around trying to think of a name.

Charley finally said how about "Earl," and since this was Charley's dog we all agreed, even though Earl was a she. That's the way all this began.

Well, Earl was stupid. She couldn't walk very well because her legs were too long and she ate all kinds of stuff and the rate she went to the bathroom was just about as fast as a clam goes through a gull.

We formed a shovel squad headed by one of our pledges, George Cadwalader. Every time that Earl dropped a few goodies on a rug here, and a floor there, we called up "The keeper of the Hound," and Georgie or another of the pledges had to come over and clean up whatever happened to be lying around at the time.

This went on for about a month and everybody loved Earl except for Georgie Cadwalader and the rest of the pledges, and nobody cared about their feelings. Special appropriations were voted through at our house meetings for Earl's food and shots and tags and collars and leashes and beds, and there was even a small allowance voted through for her beer. Everyone really got to love Earl, even though she was so stupid and unco-ordinated and everything.

Then one night Georgie Cadwalader took his shovel and dug a hole in the back yard. After that he went down into town to Fauntleroy Duke's and had one and a half Skizzy Upton's. He stumbled back to the house, found Earl, carried her up to the third floor, and dropped her out of the window. Then he buried her in the hole in the back yard.

Nobody ever said much about it afterwards. Charley Elfinger drank all Earl's beer and then went out and put a few stones over her grave. We even initiated Georgie Cadwalader when the time came.

Now, when you mention Earl, Charley says that she was the best watch dog he's ever seen, but he never says why.

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Rutgers Biologist Speaks On the Origins of Life

—*by* JAY VANSCHOICK

"The rare event seldom happens; most things in nature result from a high probability." With these words Dr. John Keosian of Rutgers University dismissed the theory of spontaneous generation and introduced a modern theory of *The Origin of Life*. Keosian gave his lecture last Monday evening in the Chemistry auditorium.

Keosian began his lecture with a brief history of various theories of the origin of life. He explained that the most prevalent theory until 100 years ago was that of spontaneous generation — nonliving things generate living things.

During the 1860's Pasteur disproved the main evidence in favor of spontaneous generation. Although he did not prove that it is impossible, he showed that life arising from several inorganic mixtures was due to contamination of the mixtures and not to spontaneous generation.

Darwin's Theory

In 1859 Darwin published his book, *Origin of Species*, which postulated that living plants and animals evolve to form new plants and animals more adapted to present living conditions.

If one believed Darwin's theory, he could show that all living things had evolved from one simple cell. But the origin of this cell could not be explained by evolution, and again people began to fall back on spontaneous generation.

Keosian maintained that the origin of life can be explained as a type of evolution; for his explanation he referred to the work of Aleksandr Oparin, a Russian biologist. Although Oparin's theory is more than 25 years old, Keosian explained that it did not become widely accepted until about ten years ago.

Oparin believed that hydrocarbons were formed from methane gas. In order for this to happen, he visualized a reducing atmosphere, high temperature, considerable ultraviolet, and electric discharges. All of these conditions were possible during the years that the earth was cooling and forming a crust.

Oparin's Theory

Oparin's theory continues: the hydrocarbons were concentrated and finally formed amino acids. About three billion years ago these amino acids combined to form proteins. The first rains on the earth formed these compounds into a "warm, thin, organic soup."

Some of the colloids in this soup separated out and formed cells. Keosian said that this step —cell formation—has, as yet, no suitable explanation.

Experimental evidence substantiating Oparin's theory began to appear about ten years ago. Hydrocarbons have been produced using only a spark gap and inorganic compounds, concentrated hydrocarbons have yielded amino acids, and amino acids have been combined in the laboratory to form proteins.

Evidence Grows

With the growth of the evidence, Oparin's theory has grown in stature.

"What are the implications of this theory?" asked Keosian. First, he said, if one agrees that life originated in this way, he must admit that there is life on other planets, for astronomers tell us that there are some 100 million planets like ours in the universe.

Second, in spite of our not having a reducing atmosphere, biogenesis could be taking place today, for there is still an abundance of highly reactive compounds.

Keosian reminded his audience that, although no one has reported a neo-biogenic organism. such organisms might be confused for mutations of existing organisms. If a neo-biogenic organism were to survive in our world, it would have to be very similar to existing organisms.

Seniors To Talk On War Tribunals In Prize Debate

The annual McKinney Prize Debate will be held next Wednesday, Apr. 19, at 8 p.m. at Emerson Literary Society.

The topic of the debate will be *Resolved: that persons accused of international war crimes should be tried by an international tribunal.* Max Stachura and Dave Lieberman will debate the affirmative, whereas Paul Wagner and Bob Lanson will speak for the negative.

A panel of faculty judges will award a prize, established by the Charles McKinney Foundation, to the two best individual debaters.

A ballot of audience opinion will determine the winning team.

Hill Tennis Squad To Open Season At Ithaca College

Hamilton's tennis team is still waiting to begin regular practice on the outdoor tennis courts.

Confined to the Sage building, the team has been handicapped in preparing for its full schedule of ten matches this year. The first of these will be at Ithaca College on Apr. 22.

Returning lettermen Don Epstein, Mike Kaiser, and John Reilly will lead the squad this year. With one of the smallest teams he has ever had, Coach Weber must depend on some of the freshmen in varsity matches. Contending for the vacant positions on the team are freshmen Hank Drewal, Ron Ungerer, Hank Schmidt, Jim Memmott, and junior Stan Shorb.

Bridge Tournament

Hamilton's Bridge Club has elected Bob Crisp as its next president. Other new officers are Bruno Puetzer, vice-president, and Paul Hamlin, secretary-treasurer.

Hill Band To Give Spring Concert Tuesday Evening

Hamilton's concert band will present its first annual Spring Concert on Tuesday, Apr. 18, at 9 p.m. in the Hall of Commons.

Mr. John L. Baldwin, associate professor of music, will direct the group.

According to Russ Bantham, student director of the concert band, a jazz group consisting of Tom Kopecek, Art Massolo, and Rod Townley will also perform.

The concert band will play selections from *My Fair Lady*, *The Music Man*, and LeRoy Anderson's *Sandpiper Ballet*. The group will also offer a selection of works by Mozart, Strauss' *Gypsy Baron*, Handel's *Song of Jupiter*, and *Block M* and *Charter Oaks*, two concert marches.

The College community is invited to the concert. Admission is free.

WHCL SCHEDULE

Monday

7:30 El Momento Espagnol
8:00 Dave Finch Show
8:30 Sports Roundup — Frank Sachs
8:45 News
9:00 Art of Opera — Mr. McClintock
11:00 Grass Roots Show — Allen & Tinker

Tuesday

7:30 Dave Finch Show
8:15 Jazz Directions — Bruce Temple
8:45 News
9:00 Concertante — Brad Huff
10:30 Sound Showcase — Allen Green

Wednesday

7:30 Lonesome Traveler Show — Bob Brandt
8:45 News
9:00 Classical Cameos
9:30 Seminar 600 — Shep Evans
11:00 On Broadway — Frank Sachs

Thursday

7:30 English Readings
8:00 Charlatans Presents
8:30 Sports Roundup — Frank Sachs
8:45 News
9:00 Concertante — Brad Huff
10:30 Sound Showcase — Allen Green

Friday

7:30 Panorama Francais
8:00 Jazz — John Alcorn
8:45 News
9:00 Contemporary Toadpipe
10:30 Friday Night Marathon
8:30 Music for a Sunday — Dave Morris
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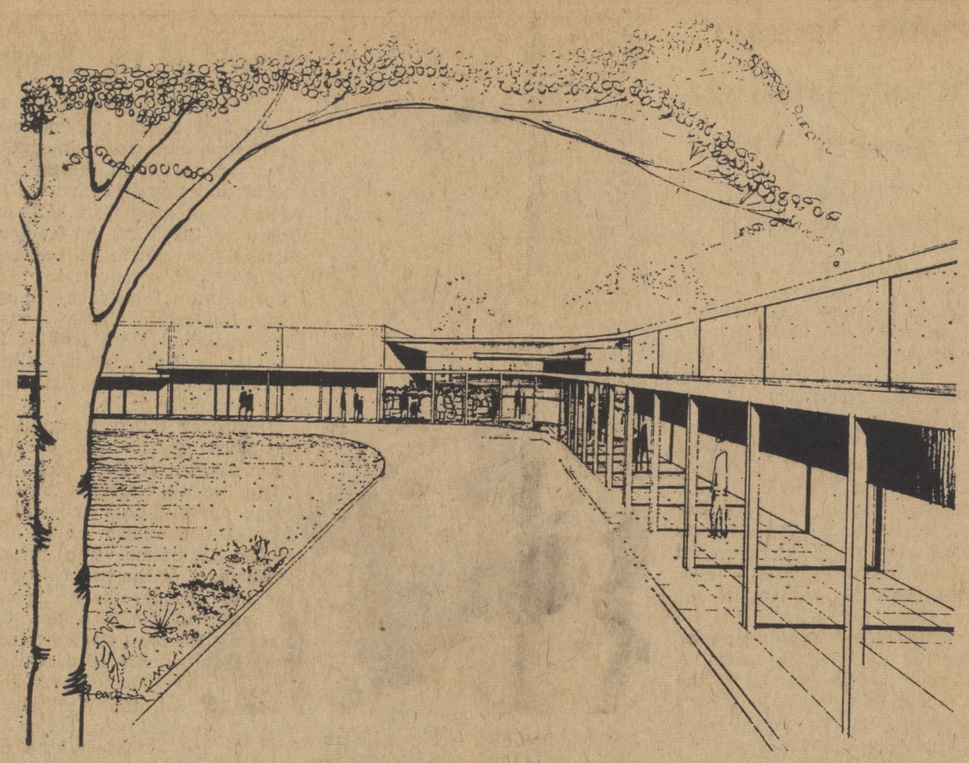
10:00 Jazz — Al Carrel



SHOPPING AREA — An artist's drawing depicts the rear of West Park Row, Clinton, as it will appear after the completion of an expanded shopping area. Expansion will take place around a new 12,000 square foot Victory Market, to be located at rear of the Alexander Hamilton Inn.

Continental Lacrosse Team To Play Twice over Weekend

Hamilton Golfers To Open Season Against Rochester

Hamilton's golf team, which will open its season against Rochester next Friday, has not yet begun to practice outside because of snowy weather.

Coach Don Jones remains confident, however, that his team will improve upon last year's 5-5 record despite the late start.

Returning lettermen Carl Hayden, Jon Sheeser, and Frank Hamilton will form the nucleus of the team. Several freshmen who may provide depth for the squad are Stu Masters, Leon Kantor, Al Thomas, Phil Hornburg, Jon Kinne, Bob Harvey, Tom Starr, Carl Meier, Nelson Collamer, and Pete Lathrop.

This year the Continentals will meet St. Lawrence for the first time. The Larries replace Union College on the schedule.

Jones feels that Rochester and Syracuse will be the two most powerful teams which Hamilton will face this year. He added that the Continentals will have an advantage over Syracuse, however, since they will host the Orangemen.

Hamilton's lacrosse team will travel to Schenectady tomorrow where it will scrimmage with a team from Sienna College. The Continentals will then go to Syracuse to meet the Syracuse Lacrosse Club on Sunday.

The probable starting players are Co-captain Rod Ramsay, Nevett Steele, and Joe Schoonover at attack; Co-captain Steve Holden, Hack Bushweller, and Jack Zies at midfield; and Noel Turner, Gary Mahood, and Charlie Sawyer at defense. Bob Job will tend the goal.

Other men who may also play include Harvey Singer, Seymour Smith, Andy Kepler, Dick Weir, Ed Kenney and Scott Hand at midfield. Tag Adams and Pete Goodnough, defensemen, and Randy Foose and Bob Dietz, goalies, may also participate in the games.

Twelve lettermen have returned this year, according to Coach Manfred von Schiller, and will support the team at every position.

In order for the team to better its 2-4 record of last year, it will have to win half of its games against some of the most powerful squads which a Hamilton lacrosse team has ever faced, von Schiller said.

The Continentals will open their official season next Friday against Cortland, a team which is favored to win the Northwest Division B Championship. Hamilton will then host a strong Union team and will next meet Colgate, which defeated the Continentals by a score of 9-2 last year.

After a return match against Cortland during Spring houseparty, the Continentals will travel to Clarkson. Hamilton will then return home to meet a powerful Hobart team. Hobart defeated Oberlin by a score of 11-6 last weekend.

Ring To Lecture Thursday Evening

On Thursday, Apr. 20, at 8 p.m., Prof. James F. Ring of the department of physics will speak in the Biology lecture room.

Ring's talk on *Elementary Particles* will be concerned with the present knowledge of the fundamental particles from which matter is made. Physicists now recognize some 30 elementary particles.

Book Auction

The Library will auction books on Thursday, Apr. 20, at 4:45 p.m.

The Hot Corner

by DAVE ESPEY

Hamilton's late season snow has forced all five spring athletic teams to practice indoors, with little more than a week left before opening games. As one coached remarked, "It looks like we weren't meant to play spring sports up here."

Perhaps the air in the gymnasium building has been more saturated with perspiration during the past week than it has all year. The baseball team is holding workouts on the gym floor, the golf team has been confined to the fencing room, the lacrosse and tennis teams have been sharing the Sage rink, and the track team has moved back to the indoor track.

The track team, which has been described as "a group of masochists directed by a sadist," is least affected by indoor practice, since the Sage Rink is home for more than half the season. Each afternoon, coach Gene Long steps into the role of the bearded Svengali who pulls the strings to make his superbly conditioned runners go through their daily routine of physical suffering.

Since the majority of the track team has been in training since February, it should fare the best of any of the spring teams in its season's opener next Saturday against Union, which provided little opposition last year except in the field events.

The baseball team meets the Yellowjackets of Rochester, who started their season Wednesday, in its season opener. The Yellowjackets, led by shortstop Ron Forte, who stars in soccer in the fall, posted an 8-2 record last year, including two decisive wins over the Continentals.

In lacrosse, the Continentals will travel to Cortland to meet the ever-strong Bulldogs, who also scored decisive wins over Hamilton last year.

The golf team, which faces Rochester on Friday, also has been hampered by the weather; the tennis team, which travels to Ithaca Saturday, has had the advantage of some outdoor practice but will be without the services of lettermen Ollie Easterwood and Marshall Field.

SPORT SHORTS — Hobart's lacrosse team, which will meet the Continentals at Hamilton in their final game of the season May 20, has started off its season by gaining four straight wins, including an 11-6 victory over Oberlin. Oberlin defeated Hamilton, 13-4, in an informal practice game last week. Ward Wettlaufer, '59, a veteran in the Master's Tournament, was eliminated during the first round of the tournament this year.

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Student Analysis

by DREW DAYS

Surely no one can doubt that the plan for a Peace Corps proposed by the Kennedy Administration has stirred the hearts and the imaginations of the country's youth. But I question whether this enthusiasm throughout the nation warrants the speed with which the government is proceeding to get the Peace Corps in the field. Is public opinion a reliable guide for governmental policy?

Governmental policy can be accurately guided by public opinion only if the public has enough responsibility to examine the issues conscientiously. I doubt that a majority of the public has conscientiously studied the advantages and disadvantages of the Peace Corps or even apprised itself of recent developments in the Peace Corps' plan.

In Tuesday Chapel Prof. Channing B. Richardson clarified some of the proposed plans for the Peace Corps, plans of which many students had no knowledge. It was interesting to note the widespread shock of the audience when it discovered that service in the Peace Corps does not fulfill the military requirement, a fact publicized in almost every newspaper. This ignorance is only one example of the unsophisticated, uninformed position of many who profess genuine interest in the Peace Corps. In addition, some know the facts of the Peace Corps but have not realistically considered them.

As a result of Richardson's talk, we now know that the Peace Corps is not a substitute for military service. But how many understand what the government means by the statement that a volunteer for the Peace Corps probably will be deferred from military service? This is not an indefinite deferment, but merely exempts the volunteer from military service during his first few years after service in the Peace Corps. After that period he again is subject to the draft. Only those going into governmental service of other "occupations in the national interest" can be relatively safe from the draft.

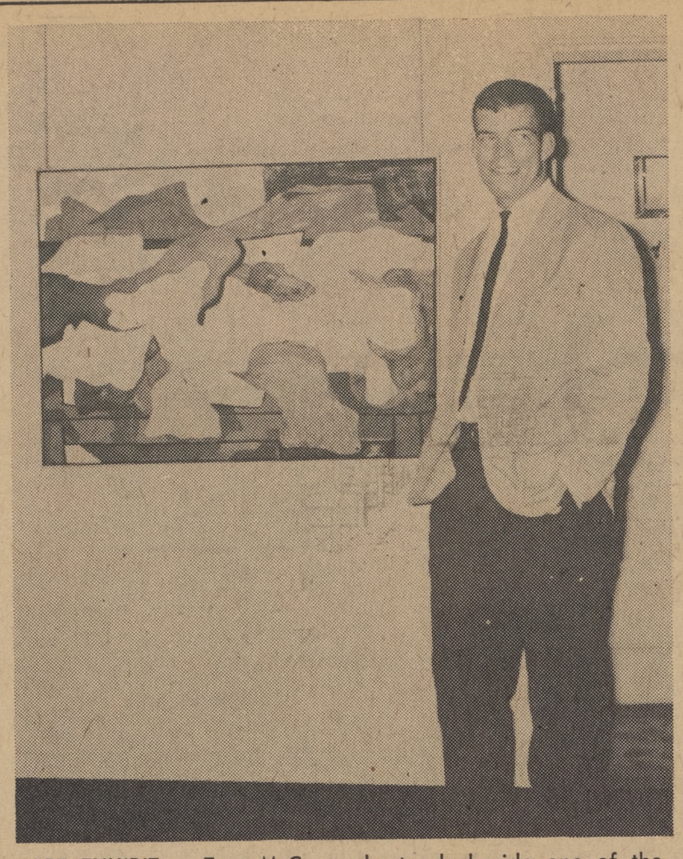
Most people also have heard that the Peace Corps volunteer will have living standards on almost the same level as that of the people with whom he is working. But again many have failed to consider the strain of living for a minimum of two years in an area remote from modern conveniences with poor food, thatched huts, and rates of disease infestation as high as 25 percent. The Peace Corps will not replace the Boy Scout Jamboree, nor can it be compared to currently operating private foreign aid programs such as Operation Crossroads — Africa, which sends student work groups abroad for only a summer.

Also, unlike private foreign aid programs, the Peace Corps is under the control of the United States government. It and its volunteers will face the propaganda and sabotage which other governmental agencies meet in a foreign country. The volunteer, therefore, must not only be able to work and teach but also be prepared to refute attacks by well-trained Communist agents in a country such as Laos. What he does and says will be interpreted or deplored not as the action of an individual, but as an action of the United States. Whether he likes it or not, the Peace Corps volunteer must assume the responsibilities of a diplomat acting at all times on behalf of his country.

Some prospective volunteers have said that the personal satisfaction which they would gain through aiding in raising the living standards of a village would more than outweigh the hardship of living and working under substandard conditions. I suppose that it is difficult for some to believe that people do not always want progress. Who can assure the United States that the Peace Corps will be welcomed in the bush? In many cases, the central governments of underdeveloped countries which have expressed interest in the Peace Corps are as unaware of the opinions of their inhabitants as we are. The volunteer can expect opposition from local demigods, who fear weakening of their power, and elders of the village, who would dislike change in any form. Can the volunteer permit practices which he considers primitive to continue without attempting to change them? And if he doesn't, what will be the result?

The Peace Corps has gained the support of theology students and of leaders of many religious denominations since its inception. But I wonder how many religions know that the Peace Corps forbids any of its members to engage in propagating any religion during his service? Has not the primary purpose of missionaries been the proselytism of a group of previously pagan countries? Even if a group of natives desired to become members of a new faith, the Peace Corps, fearing an affront to the central government, would prohibit any action by a volunteer. Can men who have devoted their lives to one religion honestly abide by such limitations on their natural inclination to spread the faith?

I agree with Bob Rockwell's letter in last week's *Spectator* that idealism is important in a college community. But idealism without an eye on realism can do almost as much harm as apathy. Anyone who supports or volunteers for the Peace Corps without seriously considering its negative aspects is deluding himself and the Peace Corps. Wrongly or not, the Peace Corps is a place for dedicated, self-denying individuals.



ART EXHIBIT — Tom McCormack stands beside one of the pictures which a Colgate student contributed to the Hamilton-Colgate Student Art Exchange. The exhibit will remain at the Root Art Center until May 6.

Student Praises Hill Concert, Notes Excellence of 'Mass'

—by JIM BENSON

The University of Rochester Women's Glee Club and the Hamilton College Choir offered the College a fine and rewarding evening of music-making last Friday in the gymnasium.

The program opened with *Heroic Poem* for brass choir and organ, by Marcel Dupre, the organist of St. Sulpice in Paris. The combined forces gave a spirited and intelligent reading, although the nature of the work did not allow a real display of the College's new positiv organ.

The Rochester women, Hamilton men, soloists, and orchestra, under the direction of Mr. John L. Baldwin, united to give a uniformly excellent, and sometimes thrilling, performance of Mozart's *Coronation Mass*. The unity and cohesiveness of chorus, soloists, and orchestra was maintained throughout the work.

In the orchestra the oboe and French horn sections were outstanding, as were the strings, particularly in the Credo. The soloists sang with discretion and musicianship, as in the beautiful mezza voce quartet of the Benedictus. Jeanne Garson, soprano, provided one of the great moments of the Mass with her reading of the Agnus Dei; the sustained perfection in her pianissimo passages was equalled only by her flawless execution of the ornamentation.

Sustained Conviction

The tempi of all six sections were right and just, and the chorus sang with sustained conviction and enthusiasm under Baldwin's direction. If the Sanctus seemed to lack the point and feeling of the previous chorus, it was undoubtedly because the Crucifixus was very deeply felt.

Hamilton's Choir returned after intermission to give an enthusiastic and exciting rendition of motets and lighter music. *O Filii* was sung with great spirit, although the Buffers were slightly weak.

Pitoni's solid *Cantate Domino* was sung with perfect blend and beautiful tone. The spectacular syncopation of Handl's *Ascendit Deus* and *Alleluia! Today Is Christ Risen* never got in the way of the words or sense; here the Choir sang with complete unity and a full, mature sound in all parts.

Fine Sound

The Choir's fine sound and intelligent phrasing made the concluding songs, from *Dove Sei Stato Mio Bell 'Alpino* to *Chinga-ring Chaw*, a pleasure to listen to.

The Rochester women were somewhat disappointing as a conclusion to the evening, though mostly for their lack of warmth and not because of any inaccuracy in their singing.

In the Brahms Waltzes they showed more life than they had in the Mass, but the soprano sound was flat, almost harsh. The girls' intonation was fine in Canning's *My Soul Thirsteth for God*, as was their diction in Randall Thompson's *Nonsense Song*. The glee club concluded with Hanson's rather frivolous *Children's Dance*, from *Merry Mount*.

Choir To Present Concert in Utica To Music Group

Hamilton's Choir will give a concert in the Tabernacle Baptist Church in Utica this Sunday, Apr. 16, at 4 p.m.

The B Sharp Club of Utica will sponsor the concert, which will include two groups of sixteenth and seventeenth century motets. The Choir will also perform folk songs and selections of contemporary work. Phil Hineline, accompanist for the choir, will play Khachaturian's *Toccata*.

Baldwin noted that the B Sharp Club, formed over fifty years ago, has consistently worked to raise musical standards in Utica. He noted that the proceeds from the concert will be used for the scholarship fund.

Book of the Month . . .

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in the Soviet orbit and "more or less" simultaneous attainment of Communism for all these states.

This in general is what the Soviet leader means in his challenge to the West for competition in the sphere of economic growth and productivity. An "open contest" between the systems, Deutscher believes, is more beneficial and more fruitful for the Soviet Union than Stalinist intransigence or totalitarian ambition could ever be.

Deutscher thinks peaceful coexistence means an eventual reconciliation of the worlds, provided the West accepts the challenge on its merits and without fear of Communism as an ideological formation. The relative "efficiency" of the two systems is the only standard to which men of good will can turn, now that the Russians have started to reap "the first benefits of socialism."

Capitalism Judged

On its part, the West should realize that its "capitalism" is now to be judged by the performance of its adversary, and not merely in terms of the stuffy rhetoric of polemical Marxism. Deutscher believes that nationalized economies are inherently more rational and more efficient than private economies and on this ground he sees the challenge as laying more of a burden on the West than on the Russians.

The author is, of course, a convinced Marxist. He avows a profound dislike of Soviet tyranny, especially in its Stalinist form, and for him the Soviet revolution can be evaluated only in terms of its contributions to the happiness and well-being of Russians and of human beings elsewhere in the world.

In this sense at least the Marxism of Deutscher shares the goal of old-fashioned nineteenth century liberal individualism, even if in the past century there is so much that it cannot accept or, I would add, understand. In his conclusions, then, Deutscher recoils from the economic emphasis and asserts that ultimately the great issues between East and West are "spiritual." It is on this ground that one can enter into debate with him.

Soviet Plans

Deutscher praises Soviet plans to decrease the hours of work in industry to 35 hours per week by 1965 and the corresponding programs in adult education. He firds the future of ordinary Russians alight with possibilities for minimal time at necessary labor and for a life spent instead in pursuit of intellectual and aesthetic interests. No more the gap between manual and intellectual work, no longer the division of classes between recreative leisure and toilsome work-bench.

Herein lies the Soviet challenge to the West, which must devise a prospect more attractive and more essential to human beings than this. The West is challenged also to emulate the high seriousness of the average Russian's cultural interest, to draw back from the commercial vulgarity of television and the double-feature. Dogma may be forced on the Russians, says Deutscher, but at least "it does not lower . . . the level of . . . human interests as much as our commercialized 'mass media' do."

Here Deutscher touches the limits of plausibility in his argument. Marxists, especially those who use their faith to criticize the Soviet experience rather than to glorify it, are capable of great subtlety and their arguments are not to be dismissed lightly. Milovan Djilas is a case in point. But Deutscher here places himself among those critical Marxists of whom Pasternak might have been thinking when he declared that their creed alienates the observer from reality rather than conjoining him to it.

No Correlation

There is, after all, no necessary correlation between economic stages of development and cultural-political possibilities. The Germany of Hitler was an "advanced" country economically when German life and culture capitulated to nihilistic barbarism and to a political organization of extraordinary effectiveness.

Deutscher himself concedes that reform from above must be "self-contradictory" and that the Soviet regime retains in its grip to this day all the essential levers of power. Its concessions thus far have been grudging and partial, as the author admits, yet he expects them to continue, to redouble in volume and to produce at last a "new" freedom in Russian cultural life.

Oddly enough, the "liberals" of the 1860's and of the period after 1905 expected the same thing and on much the same scale of calculation. Yet power did not yield, did not dilute itself. Indeed its concessions became the means whereby the social pressures for freedom were routed and nullified.

Deutscher Wrong

Mr. Deushcer is simply wrong in supposing that the regime's restraint in the use of coercion constitutes a concession of major importance so far as its own monopoly of power is concerned. The new generation in Russia, urbanized and educated, can hope for nothing by way of satisfaction of the desire for freedom unless the Party itself capitulates with due ceremonial and in so many words to the emergent pluralism of Russian society. If it does not capitulate, then it will find a way to nourish and sustain itself on the sweet dreams of success and affluence which it sedulously cultivates in that same new generation.

The road of freedom and the road to economy of abundance may after all be different roads. And the regime's chief interest remains its own survival as the exclusive organism of power in the state, the fountainhead of initiative and decision. The places it occupies is the chief prize of freedom for Russians.

Deutscher's argument rests on the intellectual ingenuity with which he employs the instruments of Marxist thought. It ought instead to rely on a knowledge of Russian history and of Russian culture. If in fact Deutscher had followed the latter course, he might have avoided the simplism with which he ends, the neo-Whigism of his conclusions.

Political Stalemate

Social pressures, calculated political concessions, a lapse into the old political stalemate: such is the tragic core of Russian political development. Such also is the troubled pass in which Russians still await the resolution of their "destiny." Deutscher's view of the Russian future raises the ultimate question, but begs it with an ingenuous answer.

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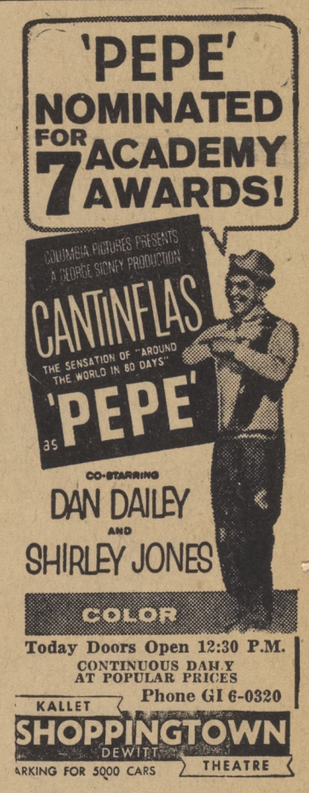

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